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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF REMARKS MADE BY SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
BUTZ TO NEWSMEN ON HIS ARRIVAL AT DAMASCUS INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT ON NOVEMBER 11, 1974:

QUOTE. I AM DELIGHTED TO COME TO SYRIA FOR OUR
FIRST VISIT.

WE ARE DELIGHTED WITH THE GROWING WARM RELATIONS
BETWEEN SYRIA AND THE UNITED STATES . I WANT TO
HAVE A LOOK AT THE SYRIAN AGRICULTURE AND THE
OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE SYRIAN AGRICULTURE, AND
DISCUSS WITH THE OFFICIALS IN SYRIA OPPORTUNITIES
FOR INCREASED COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR OWN US DEPART-
MENT OF AGRICULTURE AND THE SYRIAN MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE.
I HAVE JUST COME FROM THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE
IN ROME WHERE WE HAVE DISCUSSED THE WAYS OF
INCREASING FOOD PRODUCTION ALL OVER THE WORLD.

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I THINK THIS IS ONE OF THE NUMBER ONE

REQUIREMENTS THE WORLD FACES. WE LOOK FORWARD
TO COOPERATION WITH THE PEOPLE IN SYRIA TO HELP
INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTION.

QUESTION: DO YOU EXPECT TO CONCLUDE ANY
AGREEMENT HERE, SIR, DURING YOUR STAY?

ANSWER: WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS THE
POSSIBILITY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SYRIAN
PEOPLE INVOLVING OUR PUBLIC LAW 480. WE WILL
BE DISCUSSING THAT HERE. END QUOTE.
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